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## MERCHANTS AND SHOPPERS BUSY CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas Eve, made famous in the immortal poem as being the time "when everything was still, and not a thing about the house stirred," was one of the busiest days of the year in this city for the shoppers and the merchants. There was an unusually large crowd in the city, and the merchants were kept busy from early morning until late in the night.

Tired shoppers with their unmail-ed packages and exhausted clerks heaved sighs, the former of dismay, and the latter of thanksgiving, when the stores and postoffice closed for the day. The business at the Paris postoffice exceeded that of any previous year in its history. From early morning until late in the evening the floor space was occupied by the crowds of parcel-mailers, wives, mothers, sisters, fathers, brothers, sweethearts, just ordinary kin and friends, all energetically trying to get their parcels taken care of first. Inside the office was stacked high with parcels awaiting shipment and those waiting delivery. The press throughout the day was something fierce, but in spite of it all the shoppers and the clerks were in good humor and there was little evidence of peevishness anywhere.

The night closed down with the kiddies hard to get to bed, as most of them seemed to be possessed of a desire to remain awake. Tired salesmen and salesladies, though, were glad the rush was over, and gave sincere thanks that "Christmas comes but once a year."

At the Y. M. C. A. the thirty-two men who have homes in the building were entertained with a Christmas tree. Gifts hung on the tree for men were presented by a regulation up-to-date Santa Claus, and everybody had a good time.

## CAN'T FIND SERVICE MEN

Nearly one-third of the former service men who were insured by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance cannot be reached by mail at their old home addresses, as shown by letters returned to the Bureau as undeliverable. This fact shows the state of transaction following demobilization of our forces. The problem confronting the Bureau is to find these men and bring home to them the importance of insurance reinstatement, as many soldiers upon discharge from the service, dropped their insurance.

The minute man says he wastes hours when he heeds his wife's "Wait a minute!"

## BOURBON MAN RESIGNS PLACE AS DIRECTOR

At the recent meeting of the Kentucky Jockey Club, held in the Paul Jones building, in Louisville, Mr. Catesby Woodford, of Paris, tendered his resignation as a member of the Board of Directors. George J. Long, of Louisville, a prominent horseman, and owner of the famous Bashford's resignation.

Col. Robert L. Baker tendered his resignation as resident manager of the Lexington track under the jurisdiction of the Jockey Club. The Club declared two dividends, one of three and one-half per cent. on the preferred stock, and a semi-annual dividend of five per cent. on the common stock. Other important business matters were given attention.

The members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting were: Maurice Galvin, Johnson N. Camden, J. B. Brown, Henning Chambers, Matt Winn, A. T. Hert, R. W. Bingham, Chas. F. Grainger and Patrick Hanlon.

## APPEAL TO PUBLISHERS TO CONSERVE PAPER

An appeal to the publishers of the country to exercise all possible economy in the use of news print paper has issued at Washington, Wednesday, by the House Post-office Committee, which decided to defer, for six months action on the Anthony bill proposing that daily newspapers containing more than twenty-four pages be denied the second class mailing privileges.

Voluntary co-operation of publishers would obviate the necessity for repressive governmental action, said the committee statement, which was prepared by Chairman Stearnson. Members of the committee said that if the publishers carried out the voluntary conservation plan, further action on the Anthony bill to limit the size of newspapers and periodicals using the second class mail privilege would be postponed for the present at least.

## INSURANCE MEN SEND "NO SMOKING" SIGNS

Thousands of "No Smoking" signs are being sent out by N. O. Gray, of Frankfort, Superintendent of Fire Insurance Rates, to insurance agents for distribution. The schedule for rating industrial risks make a charge for the absence of such signs, and in many cases, property owners would be entitled to a reduction in rate if they were installed.

## PREPARE WHILE YOU CAN; COLD WEATHER COMING

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## AUTO TURNS TURTLE; BOURBON PEOPLE OCCUPANTS

An automobile in which Frank Sparks, of Paris, and Miss Williams, of Louisville, were riding, was wrecked near Carlisle, when Mr. Sparks, who was driving, lost control of the machine. The car swerved across the road, and went up against a bridge, turning on its side against a wire fence, which kept the occupants from going down a six-foot embankment. The accident occurred near the residence of Mr. S. A. Ratkiff.

Mr. Sparks lost control of the machine, when something went wrong with the steering gear. The occupants of the machine probably owe their lives to the fact that when the car turned on its side it caught in a wire fence alongside the road, which held it and kept it from pinioning them beneath it. With the exception of being shaken up and badly frightened, the occupants of the car were uninjured. Miss Williams, whose home is in Louisville, had been visiting relatives in Carlisle. The car was completely demolished.

## AMUSEMENT FIRM RAISES CAPITAL STOCK \$600,000

Capital stock of the Phoenix Amusement Company, operators of the Strand Motion Picture Company of Lexington and the Paris Grand Opera House and The Alamo Theatre in this city, was increased from \$200,000 to \$600,000 and the limit of indebtedness from \$100,000 to \$1,000,000 by amended articles of incorporation filed with the County Clerk.

Increase of capital and limit of indebtedness is the first move of the company to acquire motion picture houses in Blue Grass cities in the vicinity of Lexington. John B. Elliott, president of the company, said. The Capitol Theatre, at Frankfort, was taken over by the company several weeks ago, and is now being renovated.

That the Phoenix Amusement Company had already acquired the ownership of other theatres in Lexington was denied by Mr. Elliott, although he admitted such a move was a possibility.

The amended articles filed were signed by John B. Elliott, president of the company, and the following directors: George S. Weeks, Harry S. Brower, L. A. Michler, Fred G. Stilz, B. J. Treacy and A. H. Ward.

## FOURTEENTH DECENNIAL CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES

The enumeration of the population during a census of the United States always presents numerous difficulties, among them the apprehension on the part of the people, particularly those of foreign birth or extraction, that their answers to the enumerators' questions will cause increased taxation, legal entanglements, or other consequences injurious to their welfare. In order to quiet such unfounded fears and at the same time acquaint all persons with the main questions included in the census schedules this statement has been prepared.

It is, therefore, earnestly hoped that clergymen, editors, school teachers, employers, agricultural agents, and other public-spirited citizens, who come in contact with large numbers of people will grasp every opportunity to correct any erroneous opinions about the census which they may hear. It is no less earnestly hoped that all public-spirited citizens will aid the Government in the gigantic task of taking the 1920 census by making frequent use of the information set forth in this notice to impress people with the great importance of the coming census and to urge them to prepare for the coming of the census enumerator so that correct and complete answers may be given.

SAM L. ROGERS,  
Director of the Census.

## CENSUS TAKERS TO BE INSTRUCTED

Census enumerators who will take the Fourteenth Decennial Census for Bourbon county will be given oral instruction in their work by Census Supervisor Jos. W. Morris, and Chief Clerk Sam Dalley, beginning to-day and continuing until the census starts.

Notices have been sent to the enumerators giving the time and place for instruction. All enumerators are requested by Supervisor Morris to attend these classes, as the instructions they will receive are essential to the proper discharge of their duties.

## AUTO ACCIDENT

While backing his auto out of the yard gate at his home in East Paris, Wednesday, Douglas Clay collided with a machine driven by Edward Burke. The machines were slightly injured, but the occupants escaped uninjured.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Through the real estate agency of Harris & Speakes, of Paris, J. W. Allen sold to Mrs. Phoebe A. McClanahan, his home on Cypress street, for \$4,150.

Dr. James A. Orr, of Paris, purchased of Mrs. Ed. B. Hedges, her home on Stoner avenue, Tuesday, for the reported price of \$5,600. Dr. Orr will move to the property.

Harris & Speakes, real estate dealers, sold Tuesday for Mrs. Wm. Ballard, her cottage, located at the corner of Boone and High streets, to W. D. Snapp, of Paris, for \$3,000.

Henry S. Caywood, of the North Middletown vicinity, sold his farm, located on the Levy pike, and known as the Davis place, to Daniels & Crouch, for the reported price of \$300 an acre. The sale netted more than \$100,000.

Through the Paris Realty Co., Martin Webster, colored, sold to the colored Zion Baptist church, a lot on West Seventh street, opposite the Western High School, for \$1,000. Several small houses on the property will be moved and a new church building erected on the lot by the congregation of the Zion church.

Chas. Kuster sold this week to a Bourbon county buyer, not named, 140 acres of land, located on the Escondido pike, near Escondido, for a private price. Mr. Kuster recently purchased the farm from Wade H. Whitley, attorney representing the Ford heirs, and sold it for a profit of over \$1,000. Possession will be given on March 1, 1920.

## "PARLOR, BEDROOM AND BATH"

One of the conspicuous dramatic successes of last season will be seen at the Grand Opera House, Monday, December 29, when "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath" will be presented for one performance, direct from its phenomenal run at the Republic Theatre, New York City. "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath" is said to have scored more laughs than any other comedy on the boards last year. It is certainly one of the very few plays that survived the sweltering New York heat, and ran well into the summer. The play is the work of C. W. Bell and Mark Swan and is described as a farce frolic in three acts. Its unusual plot deals with the adventures of an unsophisticated young benedict who is compelled to play the role of a Don Juan in order to satisfy the romantic cravings of his too sentimental wife. His reluctant ventures in the domain of amorous experience bring upon his head a series of unexpected trouble—most of them women—but provide the audience with a play that the New York Tribune enthusiastically declared had "more fizz than 'Twin Beds' and 'Fair and Warmer.'" The play will be interpreted by a notable cast of performers, every member having been personally selected.

## SPECIAL TEACHERS' MEETING

A special teachers' meeting will be held at the Paris City School on Friday, December 26, at 3:15 p. m. All city teachers and members of the City Board of Education are kindly requested to be present.

LEE KIRKPATRICK, Supt.

## LIBERTY BONDS FOR A HOME

Down in Fulton, Ky., there is a real estate concern that has the psychology of the thing. In advertisements that persist in the Fulton Daily Leader this real estate man offers to take Liberty Bonds at their face value for certain real estate that he is seeking to dispose of. Good business. But he is not a philanthropist. Those Liberty Bonds will be worth above par in a short time, whether the realty in question ever increases a penny in value. And yet Liberty Bonds, when used to purchase a home, are being put to no ignoble use.

## CANADA HOLDS UP PAPER SHIPMENT TO U. S.

Seven carloads of newsprint paper consigned to American publishers from the mills of the Fort Frances Pulp & Paper Company, at Ottawa, Canada, were stopped in transit by order of Robert A. Pringle, paper controller. Mr. Pringle explained that all export shipments from the company would be stopped until it had complied with his orders to furnish paper to Western Canada publishers who, he has been told, will be forced to suspend publication unless a supply is forthcoming before the end of the week.

## RED CROSS SEAL CAMPAIGN IS ENDED

The following new names have added to the list of those who have purchased Red Cross Christmas Seal Bonds, and their names have been placed on the Roll of Honor of the organization: Catesby Speares, Frank P. Kiser, A. B. Hancock, Jas. Duncan Bell, Sam Clay, Clarence Thomas, Mrs. Albert Hinton, Chas. A. Webber, Jos. W. Davis, Wm. B. Ardery, James McClure, Farmers and Traders Bank, Bourbon Agricultural Bank, pupils of Mrs. Birdie Clay Webb's school, Roy F. Clendenin.

The campaign, which had been in progress in this city and county for several days past, closed Wednesday, with the reports submitted by the various workers. Although the full quota, \$1,700, assigned to Bourbon county, was not quite reached, Mrs. Duncan Bell, Chairman, and the workers in charge of the drive, expressed themselves as satisfied with the result, as the amount raised was greater than in any previous drive or sale of the little stickers.

Health Bonds were presented to those whose purchase of the seals amounted to \$100 or more. A partial list of those who went on the Roll of Honor was published in THE NEWS some time ago.

The campaign in the interest of the Red Cross Seals had not progressed as rapidly as had been anticipated. This is to be greatly regretted, as the cause was a most worthy one, that of relieving suffering and destitution.

## IMPORTANT DATES, MONDAY, DEC. 29, TUESDAY, DEC. 30

I shall be in the Paris High School building, from 9:00 to 11:00 a. m., on Monday, December 29, and Tuesday, December 30, to see parents interested in kindergarten work. Arrangements are being made now to take twenty-five children into the first group. We hope this group can get to work the first of January. Last year we took twelve into the first group, but this season we hope to be able to take care of double that number. No application sent by some one else will be considered. You must come in person.

LEE KIRKPATRICK, Supt.

## SLIGHT INCREASE IN RATES

Beginning with the New Year, January 1, 1920, the ward rates at the Massie Memorial Hospital will be \$1.50 per day, instead of \$1.00, as heretofore. (26-3t)

## H. C. OF L. COMMISSION ISSUES DAILY BULLETIN

The officers of the High Cost of Living Commission, which has recently been taken over by and reorganized under the direction of the Department of Justice, have been at work getting information from other cities in conjunction with similar Commissions in adjoining States so as to learn and adopt the best method of procedure.

It is the intention of the Commission to issue a Daily Bulletin, showing the scope of its investigation and the information received both from our State and points in adjoining States as to the prevailing prices on food and clothing. It has likewise been determined by the Commission that instead of making the attempt to regulate all kinds of prices on every commodity, a policy will be followed by selecting ten staples in groceries, five in meats, and an equal number in clothing, as well as a few staples in shoes, and establishing fair prices on these articles, which prices are to be based on the actual cost of the materials and not to be calculated on any replacement basis; in other words, the commission is going to center its attention for the present on a few essentials of life, rather than the so-called luxuries.

With this information in hand, the facts are to be presented to the Fair Price Committee, the Chairman of which will be appointed in a few days, which Committee was formed and selected in accordance with specific instructions from the Attorney General in Washington, and with the confirmation of these prices, District Attorneys Slattery, of Covington, and Gregory, of Louisville, assure us they will be able to prosecute successfully, under the extension of the Lever Act, anyone charging prices in excess of these figures. Instead of relying upon the mails, the Commission is sending two of its members to get selling prices on these staples in adjoining States, and its investigators are actively at work procuring necessary data pertaining to local selling prices.

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NEW:—WE HEARTILY THANK  
YOU FOR THE GOOD WILL YOU  
HAVE SHOWN US, AND EXTEND  
OUR MOST CORDIAL GREETINGS  
AND BEST WISHES FOR YOUR  
PEACE, PROSPERITY AND HAP-  
PINESS IN THE COMING YEAR.

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Our success of the past is largely  
due to the kind co-operation of our  
friends. Our appreciation is deep  
and our warmest thanks go out to  
you, coupled with the hope that you  
will receive full measure of the joys  
of Christmas and happiness and  
prosperity for the New Year.

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